

In the United States Court of Federal Claims

OFFICE OF SPECIAL MASTERS

Filed: June 4, 2014

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DALAN DAHL and ELIZABETH DAHL,
as the Natural Parents of and on Behalf of
Their Daughter, L.D., a Minor (deceased),

Petitioners,

v.

SECRETARY OF HEALTH
AND HUMAN SERVICES,

Respondent.

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UNPUBLISHED

No. 13-409v

Special Master Dorsey

Attorneys' Fees and Costs;
Reasonable Amount Requested to which
Respondent Does not Object.

Leonard John Mark, Tiffany & Bosco, P.A., Phoenix, AZ, for petitioners.

Ryan Daniel Pyles, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, D.C., for respondent.

ATTORNEY'S FEES AND COSTS DECISION¹

On June 18, 2013, Dalan and Elizabeth Dahl (petitioners) filed a petition pursuant to the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program.² 42 U.S.C. §§ 300aa-1 to -34 (2006). Petitioners alleged that their daughter, L.D., received a measles, mumps and rubella ("MMR") vaccine on June 6, 2011, and thereafter developed symptoms that led to her death on June 18, 2011. Petition at 1. On February 12, 2014, the undersigned entered a decision awarding compensation to petitioners based on respondent's proffer.

¹ Because this decision contains a reasoned explanation for the undersigned's action in this case, the undersigned intends to post this decision on the website of the United States Court of Federal Claims, in accordance with the E-Government Act of 2002, Pub. L. No. 107-347, 116 Stat. 2899, 2913 (Dec. 17, 2002). As provided by Vaccine Rule 18(b), each party has 14 days within which to request redaction "of any information furnished by that party: (1) that is a trade secret or commercial or financial in substance and is privileged or confidential; or (2) that includes medical files or similar files, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of privacy." Vaccine Rule 18(b). Otherwise, the entire decision will be available to the public. Id.

² The National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program is set forth in Part 2 of the National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act of 1986, Pub. L. No. 99-660, 100 Stat. 3755, codified as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 300aa-1 to -34 (2006) (Vaccine Act or the Act). All citations in this decision to individual sections of the Vaccine Act are to 42 U.S.C.A. § 300aa.

On June 3, 2014, the parties filed a Stipulation of Fact Concerning Final Attorneys' Fees and Costs. According to the stipulation, the parties stipulate to an award to petitioners of attorneys' fees and costs in the amount of \$12,889.00. In accordance with General Order #9, petitioners' counsel represents that petitioners have personally incurred no reimbursable costs in pursuit of their claim.

The Vaccine Act permits an award of reasonable attorneys' fees and costs. 42 U.S.C. § 300 aa-15(e). Based on the reasonableness of the parties' stipulation, the undersigned **GRANTS** the request for approval and payment of attorneys' fees and costs.

Accordingly, an award should be made as follows:

in the form of a check jointly payable to petitioners and to Mr. Leonard J. Mark of the law firm of Tiffany & Bosco, P.A., in the amount of **\$12,889.00**.

In the absence of a motion for review filed pursuant to RCFC Appendix B, the clerk of the court **SHALL ENTER JUDGMENT** in accordance with the terms of the parties' stipulation.³

IT IS SO ORDERED.

s/Nora Beth Dorsey
Nora Beth Dorsey
Special Master

³ Pursuant to Vaccine Rule 11(a), entry of judgment is expedited by the parties' joint filing of notice renouncing the right to seek review.